

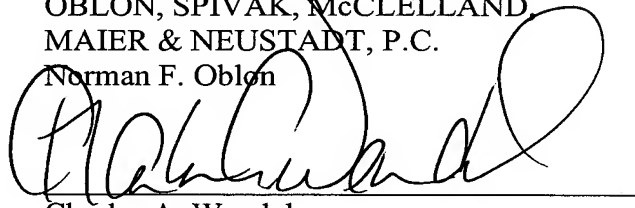
REMARKS

The claims have been amended to eliminate multiple dependencies and to place the claims in more conventional U.S. patent format.

An early examination of Claims 1-10 is earnestly solicited.

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